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SUBJ: ATLANTIC VISITOR DANIEL BOORSTIN

1. AT JULY 13 MEETING OF AVA BOARD MEMBERS IN BRUSSELS IT WAS DECIDED TO INVITE BROOSTIN DURING PERIOD WHEN EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT WAS IN SESSION. FIRST CHOICE IS WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15-19, WHEN PARLIAMENT WILL MEET IN LUXEMBOURG. SECOND CHOICE IS WEEK OF OCTOBER 11-15, WHEN PARLIAMENT WILL MEET IN STRASBOUR. LETTER TO THIS EFFECT IS BEING SENT TO BOORSTIN FROM JEAN REY. MRS. BOORSTIN IS, OF COURSE, ALSO INVITED.

2. DURING WEEKS OF PARLIAMENT SESSIONS, EC COMMISSIONERS AND SOME OTHER TOP COMMISSION OFFICIALS ARE IN ATTENDANCE. BOORSTIN WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM ON FRINGES OF PARLIAMENT MEETINGS, BUT HE SHOULD ALSO HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET COMMISSION OFFICIALS, PRESS, AND COUNCIL/PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OFFICIALS IN BRUSSELS.

3. WE EXPECT THAT SEVERAL USIS COUNTRY POSTS WILL WISH  
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TO PROGRAM BOORSTIN DURING OUR BICENTENNIAL AUTOMN. N.

IDEAL SOLUTION WOULD BE FOR HIM TO SPEND TEN DAYS IN EUROPE, COMBINING AVA AND USIS PORTIONS OF HIS VISIT. HE MIGHT START IN BRUSSELS, GO ON TO TWO OR THREE USIS LECTURES, VISIT PARLIAMENT FOR TWO DAYS (BEST DAY IS WEDNESDAY FOR QTE QUESTION TIME UNQUOTE), AND RETURN TO BRUSSELS FOR CONCLUSION OF AVA VISIT.

4. WE THINK BOORSTIN CAN MAKE SINGULAR CONTRIBUTION TO AVA PROGRAM WITH HIS INSIGHT INTO US HISTORICAL ORIGINS AND FEDERALIST STRUCTURE, WE EXPECT THAT AFTER OBSERVING EUROPEAN COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS BOORSTIN WOULD BE ABLE TO DRAW FASCINATING COMPARISONS IN A PUBLIC LECTURE ON LAST DAY OF HIS AVA PROGRAM. AMERICAN AND COMMON MARKET CLUB WOULD BE LOGICAL PLATFORM.

5. WITH DIRECT SELECTIONS TO PARLIAMENT SCHEDULED FOR 1978, THIS INSTITUTION IS GROWING IN IMPORTANCE AND WILL NEED TO EXPAND IN COMPETENCE. WE WOULD HOPE THAT BOORSTIN COULD OFFICER COOPERATION, TRAINING, OR EXCHANGE WITH US LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE.

6. AS EXPERIENCED PROFESSOR, INTERESTED IN YOUNGER GENERATION, BOORSTIN CAN MAKE EXCELLENT PRESENTATIONS TO EC STAGIAIRES AND STUDENTS AT BRUGES COLLEGE OF EUROPE. WE WOULD LIKE TO BUILD THESE MEETINGS INTO HIS SCHEDULE.

7. WE ARE THINKING OF MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT ORTOLI, COMMISSIONER SOAMES, AND COMMISSIONER (AND AVA BOARD MEMBER) GUNDELACH. OTHER MEETINGS AT COMMISSION WOULD BE ARRANGED ACCORDING TO GUIDANCE YOU GIVE US ON BOORSTIN'S INTERESTS.

8. JEAN REY ALSO HAS SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF MEETINGS WITH HALLSTEIN AND ROY JENKINS.

9. WE ASSUME MOST APPROPRIATE BOORSTIN BOOK FOR PRESENTATION DURING AVA VISIT IS AMERICA AND THE IMAGE OF EUROPE. WE DO NOT HAVE COPIES HERE IN BRUSSELS. PLEASE CHECK WITH BOORSTIN TO CONFIRM APPROPRIATENESS AND SEND US TWELVE UNCLASSIFIED

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COPIES WHICH HE CAN AUTOGRAPH FOR LEADING PERSONALITIES HE MEETS. ALTERNATIVE MIGHT BE ONE OR MORE VOLUMES OF BOORSTIN SERIES, THE AMERICANS. IF FRENCH EDITION EXISTS, HALF OF THE PRESENTATION BOOKS SHOULD BE IN FRENCH, HALF IN ENGLISH.

10. WE ARE INFORMED THAT BOORSTIN'S FRENCH IS FLUENT. PLEASE CONFIRM. WOULD HE BE PREPARED TO LECTURE IN FRENCH?

11. I WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS PROGRAM DETAILS  
WITH BOORSTIN DURING MY CONSULTATION IN WASHINGTON END  
AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER.

12. PASS SUBSTANCE THIS MESSAGE TO AMBASSADOR SCHAETZEL,  
AND OBTAIN HIS REACTIONS BEFORE PROCEEDING.  
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